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House Interior and Environment Appropriations Bill and Report

Program (funding levels in millions)	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16 POTUS Request	FY16 House
EPA Brownfield Projects (assessment/cleanup)	89.9	90	80	110	75
EPA Categorical Grants (Sec 128, Brownfields)	45.9	47.7	47.7	49.5	47.7
Clean Water State Revolving Fund	1,376	1,448.9	1,448.9	1,116	1,018
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	861.9	906.9	906.9	1,186	757
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI)	285	300	300	250	300
BEACH Grants	9.4	9.5	9.5	0	0
National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program	24.4	24.4	24.4	25.3	24.4
Great Lakes Science Center	8.3	8.4	8.5	8.7	TBD ¹
Chesapeake Bay Program	55	70	73	70	60
Section 106 Water Pollution Control	226.3	230.8	230.8	249.2	230.8
National Estuary Program Grants	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.8
Land and Water Conservation Fund (Departments of Interior and Agriculture)	308.6	306	306	400²	248
USGS Water Resources	-	-	-	222.9 ³	211.3

 $^{^{1}}$ Unknown but larger account "Ecosystems - Fisheries" was cut by \$1 million from FY2015 and \$5.5 million from the President's request, which included a \$250,000 increase for fishery research

² Discretionary funds; total request is \$900 million including mandatory funding of \$500 million

³ A new initiative that includes core water quality activities of the former NAWQA, NSIP, and CWP programs and other water resource scientific programs

Other notable provisions:

North American Wetlands Conservation Fund – Funding level, \$35 million, consistent with the proposed reauthorization act from last Congress; \$855,000 above FY2015 and the FY2016 Request.

Historic Preservation Fund – \$60.9 million provided, \$4.5 million above FY2015 but \$29 million below the FY2016 Request, for state actions preserving historic properties.

No additional funding provided to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for proposed additional hydraulic fracturing research activities, beyond the published report on drinking water impacts, with the Departments of Energy and Interior.

Smart Growth Program – No funding provided to EPA for the program, originally established in 2009.

Harmful Algal Blooms – Language supports a coordinated Federal approach to addressing Harmful Algal Blooms, including EPA collaboration with NASA, NOAA, and the U.S. Geological Survey to develop an early warning indicator system. Language supports the designation of a coordinator by the Great Lakes Federal Interagency Task Force.

Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) – \$4.4 million provided to EPA for establishment of WIFIA with the expectation for a budget request at the full authorized level in FY2017

Inland Oil Spills Program – Language provides \$17.9 million, \$265,000 below FY2015 and \$5.4 million below the President's request, to prepare for and prevent release of oil in navigable waterways.

Invasive Species – Within the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service budget, an additional \$1 million above FY2015 is provided for aquatic invasive species State plans. All other invasive species programs, including combatting Asian carp within the Ohio River, Upper Mississippi River, and Great Lakes Basins, are funded at the fiscal year 2015 enacted level. No new funding is provided for invasive species within the U.S. Geological Survey's budget.

US Fish & Wildlife Service Cooperative Landscape Conservation – Includes nearly \$7 million for landscape conservation cooperatives (LCCs), with an emphasis on areas where partnerships are strongest.

National Wildlife Refuge System – Provides \$483.1 million, an increase of \$8.85 million from FY2015 though \$25.1 million less than the President's request. Requested increases for volunteer partnerships, law enforcement, and refuge maintenance provided.

National Fish Hatchery Systems – Provides \$52.4 million, \$0.4 million less than FY2015 and \$1 million less than President's request. Closing or terminating hatcheries is prohibited.

Diesel Emission Reduction Grants – Provides \$50 million and directs EPA to continue to make at least 70 percent of grants available to improve air quality in non-attainment areas.